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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action on the merits mailed March 23, 2006 ("the OA"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due June 23, 2006. Applicants herein submit a petition for a one month extension of time to July 24, 2006, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (July 23, 2006, was a Sunday). Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter, Petition to Extend Time;
- Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO/SB/08a/b, with references.

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